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86-B, Parliament House
New Delhi-110001.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Monthly Summary for the month of January, 2021 in respect of Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of the Monthly Summary of the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs for the month of January, 2021.


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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS

Subject: - Monthly Summary for the month of January, 2021 of Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.

1. LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS IN THE PARLIAMENT

Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs serves as an important link between the two Houses of Parliament on the one hand and the Government on the other in respect of Government Business in Parliament. In the month of January, 2021 following legislative business was transacted:-

I. Meeting of Cabinet Committee of Parliamentary Affairs

The Cabinet Committee on Parliamentary Affairs in its meeting held on Friday, the 1st January, 2021 decided that:-

- a. Both Houses of Parliament may be summoned for the Budget Session, 2021 on Friday, the 29th January, 2021 and subject of exigencies of Government Business, the Session may conclude on Thursday, the 8th of April 2021;
- b. Both Houses of Parliament may be adjourned for recess on Monday, the 15th February, 2021 to reassemble on Monday, the 8th March, 2021;
[The Business Advisory Committee of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha in their meetings held on 29.01.2021 and 31.01.2021 respectively decided that the sitting fixed for Monday, the 15th February, 2021 may be cancelled and in lieu thereof, the respective Houses may sit on Saturday, the 13th February, 2021. Accordingly both Houses are now likely to adjourn on 13.02.2021 instead of 15.02.2021]
- c. The Hon'ble President may address both Houses of Parliament assembled together at 11.00 a.m. on Friday, the 29th January, 2021, and
- d. The Union Budget for 2021-22 may be presented in Lok Sabha on Monday, the 1st February, 2021 at 1100 hours and after presentation/laying of the Union Budget, the respective Houses may be adjourned for the day.

II. Meeting for finalization of Government Business.

Hon'ble Minister of Parliamentary Affairs, Coal and Mines took a meeting with Secretaries/Senior Officers of concerned Ministries/Department via video conference on Tuesday, 19th January, 2021 to finalise the Government Business for the ensuing Budget Session, 2021 (5th Session of 17th Lok Sabha and 253rd Session of Rajya Sabha).

III. Budget Session 2021 (Fifth Session of Seventeenth Lok Sabha and 253rd Session of Rajya Sabha) Commenced

The Budget Session 2021 (Fifth Session of Seventeenth Lok Sabha and 253rd

Session of Rajya Sabha) commenced on 29th January, 2021.

IV. Delivery of President's Address.

The President of India addressed Members of the two Houses of Parliament assembled together on 29.01.2021 at 11.00 a.m.

2. IMPLEMENTATION OF ASSURANCES IN PARLIAMENT

This Ministry is the co-ordinating agency to ensure that the Ministries fulfil their assurances, given by the concerned Ministers while replying to questions or supplementary thereon or during discussion on Bills, Resolutions, Motions in Parliament, in time. The Ministry extracts from the daily proceedings of both the Houses, assurances given by Ministers and forward the same to concerned Ministries for necessary action. The Implementation Reports received from administrative ministries in fulfilment of an assurance are laid on the Table of the respective Houses.

From 1956 to December, 2020 a total to 96630 Assurances were culled out in Lok Sabha and 56799 Assurances were culled out in Rajya Sabha. Out of these, 2078 Assurances of Lok Sabha and 883 Assurances of Rajya Sabha are pending.

In the month of January, 2021, 15 Assurances were culled out from Lok Sabha proceedings and 10 Assurances were culled out from Rajya Sabha proceedings.

3. DIGITAL GOVERNANCE - IMPLEMENTATION OF e-OFFICE

This Ministry was selected for implementation of e-Office Mission Mode Project (MMP) by Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DARPG) in the second phase. From October, 2013 after digitization of physical files, sections of the Ministry were brought under e-office.

All matters relating to leave of employees, service, billing etc are being done through electronic means. This has helped the Ministry to be more efficient, lesser usage of paper, rule based file routing, quick search and retrieval of files and office orders. DARPG has awarded this Ministry for commendable performance shown in implementation of e-office.

In the month of January, 2021, in light of CoVID Pandemic, most of the work was done electronically and 2330 e-files were moved.

4. FOLLOW UP ACTION ON MATTERS RAISED UNDER RULE 377 IN LOK SABHA AND BY WAY OF SPECIAL MENTION IN RAJYA SABHA

Members of the Lok Sabha who wish to bring to the notice of the House any matter which is not a point of order, are permitted by the Speaker to raise the matter under the rule 377 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha. In the Rajya Sabha, the Chairman permits the members to mention the matters of urgent public importance, generally known as special mentions, under Rule 180 A-E of the Rules of Procedure and conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha. The Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs takes follow up action on such matters raised by Members of both houses of period.

The Status of Matters raised and replies given to various matters raised in both Houses of

Parliament at the end of January, 2021.

Status	Status of Matter raised under Rule 377 in Lok Sabha during the month	Status of Matter raised Special Mention under Rule 180-E in Rajya Sabha during the month
Matters raised during the month	Nil	Nil
Pending matters in this month	62	279
Reply received	25	81
Remaining matters	37	198

5. NATIONAL e-VIDHAN APPLICATION (NeVA) : ONE NATION – ONE APPLICATION

NeVA is a Mission Mode Project under the Digital India Programme. Its mission is to make the legislatures of all the States/UTs paper less, streamline all the processes for information exchange with the different State Government Departments and to publish the allowed contents on the public portal in real time. The NeVA works on both web-based and application based (both Android and IOS) platform, in a format consistent across National and State legislatures. As per the Scheme, financial assistance is being given to the states to transform their legislative houses into “Digital House” so as to enable them to transact entire Government Business on digital platform including exchange of information with the State Government Departments in paperless mode.

Various States have adopted the NeVA, a project for digital legislatures and have started working on it. With the sole objective of knowledge transfer for capacity building of the officials of the legislatures, CPMU, NeVA has started in house training/workshop in association with the concerned Assembly/Council/State NIC.

Upto the month of January, Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for implementation of NeVA has been signed with both the legislatures of Bihar (Assembly and Council), Punjab, Odisha, Meghalaya, Manipur, Gujarat, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Puducherry, Tripura, Himachal Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and Tamil Nadu. NeVA project has been sanctioned for Punjab, Odisha, Bihar (Assembly), Bihar (Council) and Nagaland. First installment of the central share of funds has also been released to these States for implementation of NeVA Project in their Legislature.

In the month of January, 2021 –

1. The DPR submitted by Government of Manipur has been approved and the first installment of the funds has been released to the State Government for implementation of NeVA Project in their Legislative Assembly.
2. A review meeting was undertaken up the Secretary, MoPA along with the Joint Secretary, MoPA, with the officials of the Govt. of Odisha and Assembly on the

progress of implementation of NeVA in Odisha Legislative Assembly.

6. FUNCTIONING OF CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEES

Informal Consultative Committees were constituted for various Ministries/Departments of Government of India, first time in the year 1954 to provide opportunities to Members of Parliament to have some glimpse into the working of the Government. Nature of these Committees is advisory. At present 37 Consultative Committees are functioning for various Ministries.

In the month of January, 2021, 1 Member of Parliament was removed from a Consultative Committee due to sad demise. Further, 14 meetings of the Consultative Committees were held during the month of January, 2021. Details are placed at **Annexure-I**.

6. MOTIVATING YOUTH THROUGH YOUTH PARLIAMENT SCHEMES

In the month of January, 2021, registrations of 155 schools participating in National Youth Parliament Scheme were reviewed and out of them, registrations of 33 schools were approved.

7. SOCIAL MEDIA

Social Media is an emerging platform for information sharing and receiving feedback. Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs has taken the initiative of getting its presence registered on various social media platforms.

With a total of 1736 tweets, the number of twitter followers for the Ministry's handle https://twitter.com/mpa_india touched 4401 and that of Facebook's followers became 36659.
